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IN RE APPLICATION OF:)
	Robert Joseph Lawless, et al.)
SERIAL NO.	: 10/631,945) ART UNIT: Unassigned
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FOR: Conveyor System Load Transfer Devices)))

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above identified application, please enter the following amendments and consider the appended remarks.

AMENDMENTS

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, a single version of the replacement paragraphs

for the specification are marked up to show all the changes relative to the previous

version of the specification, is now set forth, with deleted text shown with

strikethrough and added text shown by underlining:

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

On page 1, in the paragraph immediately following the title, insert the

following text:

RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No.

60/400,632 entitled "Conveyor System Load Transfer Devices" filed on August 1,

2002, which is incorporated herein by reference.

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CONCLUSION

The application and claims are believed to be in condition for allowance. If the Examiner has any questions regarding this Preliminary Amendment, please contact the undersigned attorney at 404-815-6048.

Respectfully submitted,

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